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In re Application of

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Application No. 10/578,556

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For: Method For Operating A

Synchronous Machine

**DECISION** 

This is in response to the correspondence filed on 08 January 2007.

## **BACKGROUND**

This international application was filed on 04 November 2004, claimed an earlier priority date of 06 November 2003, and designated the U.S. The International Bureau transmitted a copy of the published international application to the USPTO on 19 May 2005. The 30 month time period for paying the basic national fee in the United States expired at midnight on 08 May 2006 (since 06 May 2006 was a Saturday). Applicants filed, *inter alia*, a basic national fee on 08 May 2006.

On 07 November 2006, a Notification of Missing Requirements (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) was mailed to counsel, requiring the submission of an acceptable English translation and the processing fee under 37 CFR 1.492(i).

## **DISCUSSION**

Review of the application file reveals that applicants did not file (in this application) an English translation in response to the Form PCT/DO/EO/905 mailed on 07 November 2006, but the processing fee under 37 CFR 1.492(i) was paid 08 January 2007. However, inspection of the electronic records of the USPTO reveals that, on 08 January 2007, applicants filed a Transmittal Letter directed to application no. 10/578,566, which was accompanied by a specification, claims and abstract. Said specification, claims and abstract do not bear any indication as to which application number they are directed. As such, a complete response to the Form PCT/DO/EO/905 has not yet been accepted into this application file. Resolution of this matter requires a petition under 37 CFR 1.182.

## **DECISION**

The response filed on 08 January 2007 is **NOT ACCEPTED**, without prejudice, for the reasons described *supra*.

Applicants have <u>TWO (2) MONTHS</u> from the mailing date of this decision, extendable under 37 CFR 1.136(a), to file a response.

Please direct any further correspondence with respect to this matter to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop PCT, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, and address the contents of the lefter to the attention of the Office of PCT Legal Administration.

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